

**REMARKS**

Claims 2-4, 7, 9, 11, 13, 20, 22, 25 and 28 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 2-4, 7, 9, 11, 13, 20, 22, 25 and 28 are amended and claims 1, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14-19, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27 and 29 are canceled with prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter is added.

Reconsideration based on the above amendment and following remarks is respectfully requested.

**I. Allowable Subject Matter**

Applicant appreciates the Office Action's indication that claim 2-4, 7, 9, 11, 13, 20, 22, 25 and 28 include allowable subject matter. Claims 2-4, 7, 9, 11, 13, 20, 22, 25 and 28 are amended into independent form. Thus, claims 2-4, 7, 9, 11, 13, 20, 22, 25 and 28 are in allowable condition.

**II. Claims Define Patentable Subject Matter**

The Office Action rejects claims 1, 5, 6, 8, 14, 15, 18, 19, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27 and 29 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 5,734,909 to Bennett in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,667,191 to Comroe et al.; and rejects claims 10, 12, 16 and 17 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Bennett and Comroe, in view of Office Action's alleged AAPA. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Claims 1, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14-19, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27 and 29 are canceled and thus the rejections of these claims are now moot.

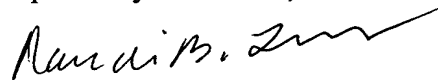
Thus, for at least the reasons discussed above, the application is in condition for allowance. Withdrawal of the rejections and prompt allowance are respectfully requested.

**III. Conclusion**

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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